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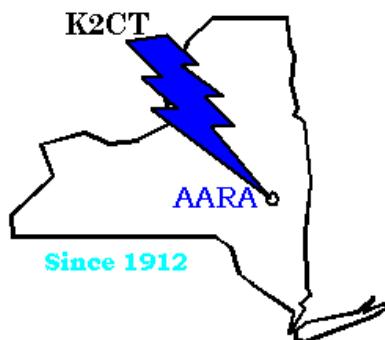
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April Dinner

AARA Dinner Fri. April 12th
New Baltimore resident **Richard Guthrie** is a veteran birder and bander. Ravenna News-Herald reporter Hilary Hawke referred to him as a "Birder Extraordinaire" in her article about Gurthrie's work as a compiler for the annual Audubon Society Christmas Bird Counts. He also does bird banding for the

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B-Plus

www.k2ct.net

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101st Year

AARA DINNER

Western Turnpike Golf Course
2354 Western Ave.
Guilderland, NY 12084

Friday April 12

Open Bar 6:00-7:00
Dinner begins 7:00 PM

K2CT Repeater

Talk-in repeater 145.19 (-) MHz
pl tone 103.5Hz

AARA Dues

Dues are \$15 with B-PLUS available at the K2CT Web page in .pdf format

www.k2ct.net

OR

\$20 for mailing of the newsletter
Checks should be made out to AARA and sent to:

Saul Abrams, K2XA
307 Maple Rd.
Slingerlands, NY 12159

from page1 US Fish & Wildlife Service. Richard Guthrie retired from NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation. He is a board member of Greene Land Trust and a regular on WAMC's "Vox-Pop" call-in talk show. Many of us have been enjoying the birds at our bird feeders this winter. Friday, April 12 is your chance to learn more about the birds of our area from the "Birder Extraordinaire" Richard Guthrie. Rich is also a licensed ham, KA2JKA, and a former member of AARA.

FOR SALE; MAKE OFFER:

Robert C. Babbitt KC2VC 58 Paxwood Road Delmar, NY 12054
518-439-7500

- 1 homebrew plumber's delight 3/4 and 1/2 inch diam. copper J-Pole antenna (10'-1" overall) (6#Cu)
- 1 homebrew plumber's delight 1/4 inch diam. aluminum J-Pole antenna (71" overall)
- 1 homebrew 1/4 wave magnetic mount 144 MHZ antenna with PL-259 connector and 11 feet of RG-58U cable
- 1 base loaded 144 MHZ antenna with HC Van Valzah Co. magnetic mount and PL-259 connector and 6 feet of RG-58U cable
- 1 homebrew 1/4 wave ground plane antenna

FOR SALE: Mirage 2 mtr amp. B1016; 10 watts in, 160 watts out. Includes receiver pre-amp.
\$150.00 contact Saul, K2XA@arrl.net

***** **AARA CONTESTERS ON THE AIR *******

2013 ARRL DX CONTEST -- PHONE RESULTS

STATION	CATEGORY	QSOs	COUNTRIES	CLAIMED SCORE
W2GDJ	SO (H) A	1162	388	1,352,568
WC2L	SO (H) A	1074	332	1,069,704
K2ONP	SO (H) A	1004	346	1,042,152
N2LBR (+WA1KKM)	M/S	866	314	815,772
KM2O	SO (H)	909	262	714,474
WK2H	SO (H) A	651	270	527,310
WA3AFS	SO (H) A	305	305	279,075
K2EP	SO (H) A	401	215	258,645
WB2KLD	SO (L)	281	152	128,136
K2BX	SO (H) A	268	144	115,776
WF2B	SO (H) A	238	140	99,960
K2XA	SO (H)	94	62	17,484

Please send your contest scores to us at:
sue.walt@verizon.net

73, Walt, WA1KKM and Sue, N2LBR



ATVET

Albany Troy Volunteer Examiner Team

If you are interested in amateur radio, and would like to take the exam, the Albany/Troy VE Team (ATVET) stands ready to assist. ATVET is a joint effort of the Albany Amateur Radio Association (AARA), and the Troy Amateur Radio Association (TARA).

Exam Date	Day	Doors Open	Exam Time (Doors will Close)
April 13, 2013	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
May 11, 2013	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM

If you like to help out next season contact: **ATVET LIAISON: Gerald Murray, WA2IWW**
atvet@n2ty.org or 518-482-8700

AARA Dinner

Friday April 12, the 2nd Friday on April

**at The Western Turnpike Golf Course from 6p-10p 2354 Western Ave.
Guilderland, NY 12084**

- 1) Sliced Sirloin of Beef 2) Chicken Cordon Bleu
- 3) Haddock Francaise 4) Plain Fish No sauce, No Breading
- 5) Gluten Free-Chef's Choice

Richard Guthrie, KA2JKA, veteran birder will be our speaker

The cost is \$35 per person

Please pay: **Stephen Hans, KC2VUE**
25 Delamater Way
Troy, NY 12180

FCC News: FCC Grants ARRL's Request for Temporary Waiver for TDMA Systems

ARRL Letter March 28, 2013

Acting upon a request by the ARRL, the FCC issued an *Order* (WT Docket No. 12-283) on March 25, granting a temporary waiver to transmit communications on amateur service channels above 30 MHz using single time-slot Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) systems. The temporary waiver was granted pending the resolution of a related rulemaking proceeding (RM-11625).

In granting the temporary waiver, the FCC agreed with the ARRL, noting that the digital systems that radio amateurs have recently implemented are "compatible with existing amateur repeater channelization plans." The FCC also noted that allowing FXE and F7E as phone emissions and emission type FXD as a data emission "is unlikely to result in inharmonious emission types being used in the same segments of the frequency bands. We also conclude that allowing amateur stations to transmit these emission types is consistent with the basis and purpose of the amateur service, specifically to continue to contribute to the advancement of the radio art." Read [more](#).

MARCH CONTESTS ON THE AIR

SP DX Contest	1500Z, Apr 6 to 1500Z, Apr 7
APRIL 2013 Georgia QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 13 to 2359Z, Apr 14
Holyland DX Contest	2100Z, Apr 19 to 2100Z, Apr 20
TARA'S Skirmish Apr. 20 th 2013	Digital Prefix Context 00:00 UTC through 23:59 UTC - Rules at n2ty.org

CQ Manchester Mineira DX Contest	1200Z, Apr 20 to 2359Z, Apr 21
EU Spring Sprint, SSB	1600Z-1959Z, Apr 20
Michigan QSO Party	1600Z, Apr 20 to 0400Z, Apr 21
Ontario QSO Party	1800Z, Apr 20 to 1800Z, Apr 21
YU DX Contest	2100Z, Apr 20 to 1700Z, Apr 21
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0100Z-0300Z, Apr 22
SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Apr 24
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z, Apr 24 to 0400Z, Apr 25
10-10 Int. Spring Contest, Digital	0001Z, Apr 27 to 2359Z, Apr 28
SP DX RTTY Contest	1200Z, Apr 27 to 1200Z, Apr 28
Helvetia Contest	1300Z, Apr 27 to 1259Z, Apr 28
QRP to the Field	1500Z, Apr 27 to 0300Z, Apr 28
Florida QSO Party	1600Z, Apr 27 to 2159Z, Apr 28
 May 2013 AGCW QRP/QRP Party	1300Z-1900Z, May 1
10-10 Int. Spring Contest, CW	0001Z, May 4 to 2359Z, May 5
ARI International DX Contest	1200Z, May 4 to 1159Z, May 5
7th Call Area QSO Party	1300Z, May 4 to 0700Z, May 5
Indiana QSO Party	1600Z, May 4 to 0400Z, May 5
New England QSO Party	2000Z, May 4 to 2400Z, May 5
CWops Mini-CWT Test	1300Z, May 8 to 0400Z, May 9



"Exam-prep Jepperdee" Bob,W2XM

Engineer-turned-educator W2XM has developed three versions of "Exam-prep Jepperdee" which can be found on the ARRL website. Each contains questions from the appropriate FCC question pool and can facilitate a fun-filled review when used with W2XM's game hardware (relays, lights, sounder, and push-buttons; all junque-box or flea-market items). The web addresses are

<http://www.arrl.org/tech-prep-resource-library>

<http://www.arrl.org/studying-for-the-general-license>

<http://www.arrl.org/studying-for-an-extra-license>

A new Tech-exam-prep version is also available

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